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TAGS: MARR, EAID, VS

SUBJECT: ICCS BUDGET

REF: A. SAIGON 10675; B. SAIGON 8367.

1. ON BASIS REF B, DEPT IS REQUESTING AUTHORIZATION FOR APPROPRIATION OF 4.8 MILLION DOLS, FOR FISCAL YEAR 1974 U. S. CONTRIBUTION TO ICCS. WE NOTE, REF A, THAT BUDGET FOR INITIAL 14- MONTH PERIOD THROUGH MARCH 31, 1974 IS NOW CALCULATED AT 43 MILLION DOLS PLUS. THIS WOULD PUT U. S. SHARE (23 PERCENT) AT ROUGHLY 10 MILLION DOLS FOR THE INITIAL PERIOD, WITH ABOUT 8 MILLION DOLS YET TO BE CONTRIBUTED.

2. DEPT IS SERIOUSLY CONCERNED OVER PROSPECT FOR NEED TO SEEK ADDITIONAL ICCS FUNDING AND WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR
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COMMENTS RE 43 MILLION DOLLAR FIGURE, WHICH STRIKES US AS UNEXPECTEDLY HIGH. DOES EMBASSY REGARD THIS AS A REASONABLE TOTAL FOR PERIOD IN QUESTION? REQUEST YOU CABLE INFORMATION ON MAJOR COMPONENTS OF BUDGET AND POUCH BUDGET DATA SOONEST. PORTER

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